

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed September 9, 2005, the Examiner restricted the application into Invention I, claims 1-29 and 39-59 and Invention II, claims 30-38 and 60-68. In Applicants' response dated January 9, 2006, Applicants elected Invention I and claims 1-29 and cancelled claims 39-59, without prejudice.

In the present response, Applicants reaffirm their election of Invention I and cancel claims 30-38 and 60-68 without prejudice, and have added new claims 69-88 (formerly claims 39-58). Please note that original claim 59 refers to cancelled claim 30.

Applicants await the first examination.


CONCLUSION

In light of the amendments contained herein, Applicants submit that the application is in condition for allowance, for which early action is requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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